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Dear Mr. Rosenthal,

I've just been given a copy of Manchester's 2/4 letter, thus the delay in responding to it.

Whether or not the Times publishes my letter, I do think that in your collective interest it is past time for the Times to come into contact with fact and reality.

To the best of my ability I'll answer any questions. Everyone is welcome to access to the 250,000 JFK assassination records I got under FOIA.

While the mass in itself frustrates normal journalistic interest, without at least some familiarity with what these records reflect it is irresponsible to pretend they do not exist or that they hold nothing relevant.

The Times' record in history over its reporting and nonreporting of the JFK assassination is not good and can't be changed.

Persisting on an incorrect policy after all these years makes the Times look even worse and I regret Lewis makes a fool of himself in saying that the Warren Report is right because it says it is right.

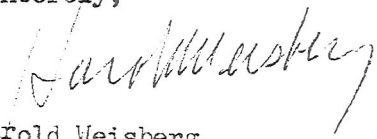
He does not improve Warren's reputation in history this way.

If Lewis had done any real work he'd have known that LBJ conned Warren into taking the job he'd rejected as improper.

But what Warren and the others did cannot now be changed.

By its treatment the Times has undermined its own credibility with a great many people.

Sincerely,


Harold Weisberg